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Last night, which was our night in the trenches, we thought to have had the pleasure of opening the second parallel; but, we were disappointed; and it will be commenced to-night by the Baron Steuben's division, of which the Maryland troops compose a part.

Some of our red-hot shot or shells set fire last night to the charon and two transports, which were entirely destroyed. This morning another vessel was burnt.

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